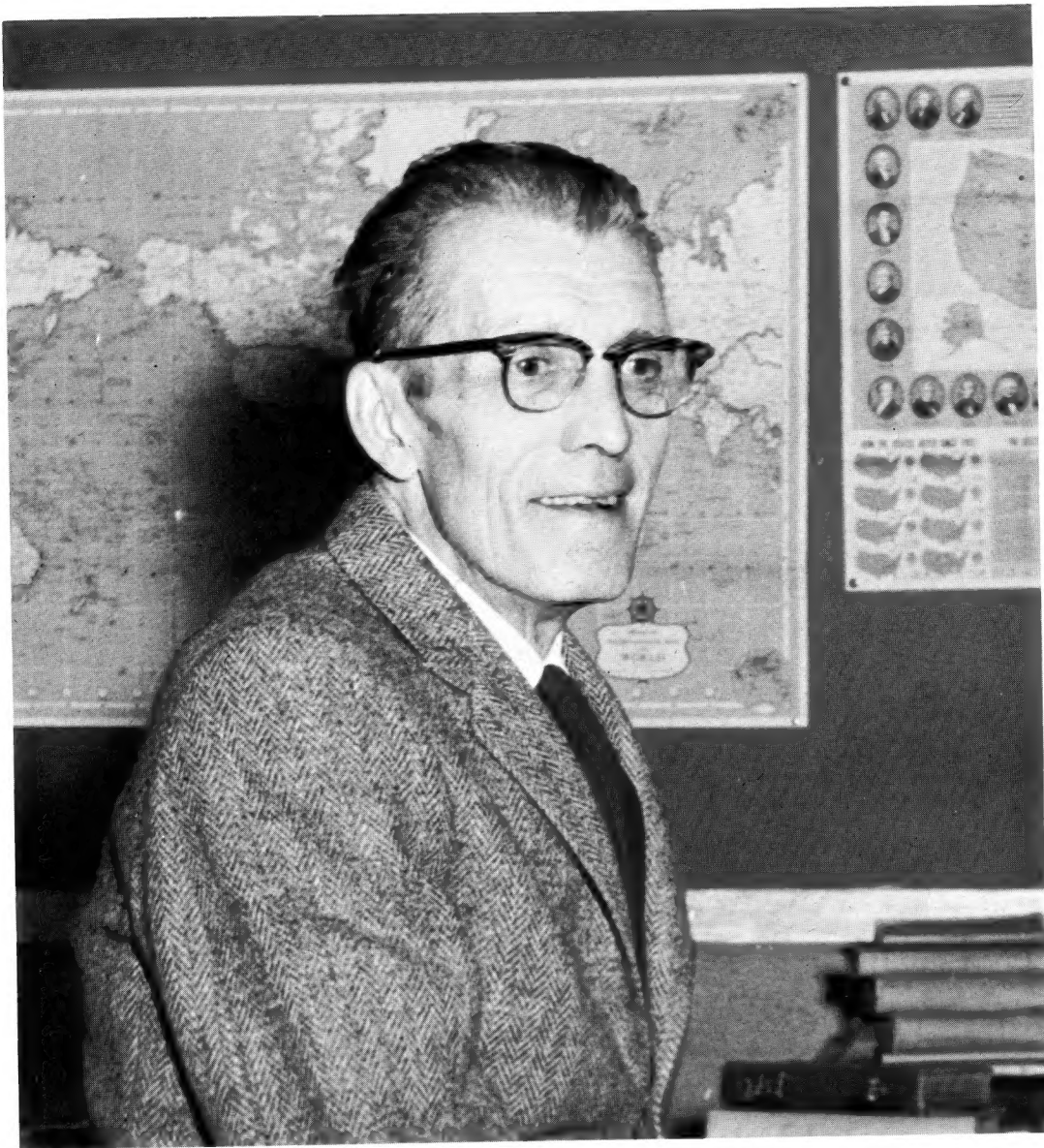


## **Graduating Classes of Denver High School**

**1903 - 1955**

### Foreword

In a world of worry and unrest, we often fail to take time to recall those pleasant memories which return like the warmth of a fine spring day. The purpose of this publication is to bring back to mind associations we all cherish. As we gaze upon the faces of former classmates and friends, we must acknowledge that a picture is worth a thousand words. With that thought in mind this collection of photographs has the potential of being the longest short book in our possession.



### Dedication

This book is dedicated to Chester B. Sweigart, who dedicated thirty-one years of his life to the education of thousands of children and still found time to participate in countless other activities as a service to the community. During the last nine years of his life as a teacher at Cocalico, many students, staff and friends were fortunate enough to experience first hand the enriching friendship and dignity which were his hallmark. The occasions on which one witnessed his kindness and consideration were innumerable. To have felt the personal magnitude of this man was an ennobling experience, for each person who knew him became aware of his conscientiousness of purpose, his zest for life and his concern for youth. In a spirit of humility, we dedicate these pages to Chester B. Sweigart, a humble man who made a lasting imprint on the society of which he was a part.

## DENVER HIGH and ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The Denver School located at 403 Walnut Street was built in 1902 for less than \$10,000.00. This new school replaced the small Denver Grade School and the old East Denver Grammar School. A new addition was added to the building in 1934 which increased the number of classrooms and provided the students with their first gymnasium.

The first graduating class was in 1903 and had only three members; the last graduating class was in 1955 and had thirty-three members. Today this school still serves the community in the capacity of the Denver Elementary School.

## HISTORICAL FACTS

First School Board .....	1900
Compulsory School Attendance Law .....	1921
First Denver Principal, G. E. Oswald .....	1901
Last Denver Principal, J. P. Krick, who served the school for the years ...	1921-1955
First Four Year High School Class .....	1926
Members of Denver Alumni Association for the years 1903 through 1955 .....	642



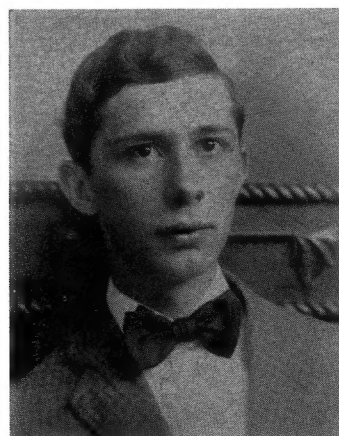


1903

Florence Mentzer

William Renninger

Mary Wickert (no picture available)



1904

Charles Wenger Greeninger

Maude Bollman Marburger

Ellis Ferguson Kemper

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1905

Alma Renninger, Kathryn Witmer, Florence Fink, Blanche Marburger, Sue Hagy  
Mark Wickert, Adam Brubaker, Frank Showalter

1906

Carrie Grace Heiser

Clara Agnes Miller

Edgar Sharp Witmyer

Coreta Fichthorn Brubaker

Agnes Linhart Fink

Harold George Marburger

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1907 - NO CLASS

Changed from 2 year course to 3 year course



1908

Left to Right: Irene Walter, Minetta Brubaker, Alvin Wenger, Waldo Nelson, Erla Kemper





1909

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Ada Roppold, Alvin Wenger, Norine Marburger

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Clara Bard, Harry Bearinger, Irene Miller, Elam Binkley, Edith Walter,  
Howard Hagy



1910

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Virgie Eby, Wayne Palmer, Bessie Gutekunst

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Lloyd Weinhold, Elwood Miller, John Kurtz, Guy Bard



1911

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Lena Wenger, Florence Greeninger, Roy Winters

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Helen Grimes, Carrol Regar, Wayne Palmer



1912

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Wayne Palmer, Bessie Hartman

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Irene Fasnacht, John Krick, Sallie Stober, Robert Meisky



1913

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Harry L. Hauck, Mignetta Burkholder, Parke Lutz, Wayne Palmer,  
George Bowman, Hattie Balthaser

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Addie Showalter, Mertis Fridinger, John Emsing





1914

Left to Right: Allen Fasnacht, Clifford Marburger, Samuel Shimp, Wayne Palmer,  
Carrie Kline, Oliver Brubaker, Eugene Gernert, Paul Fridinger



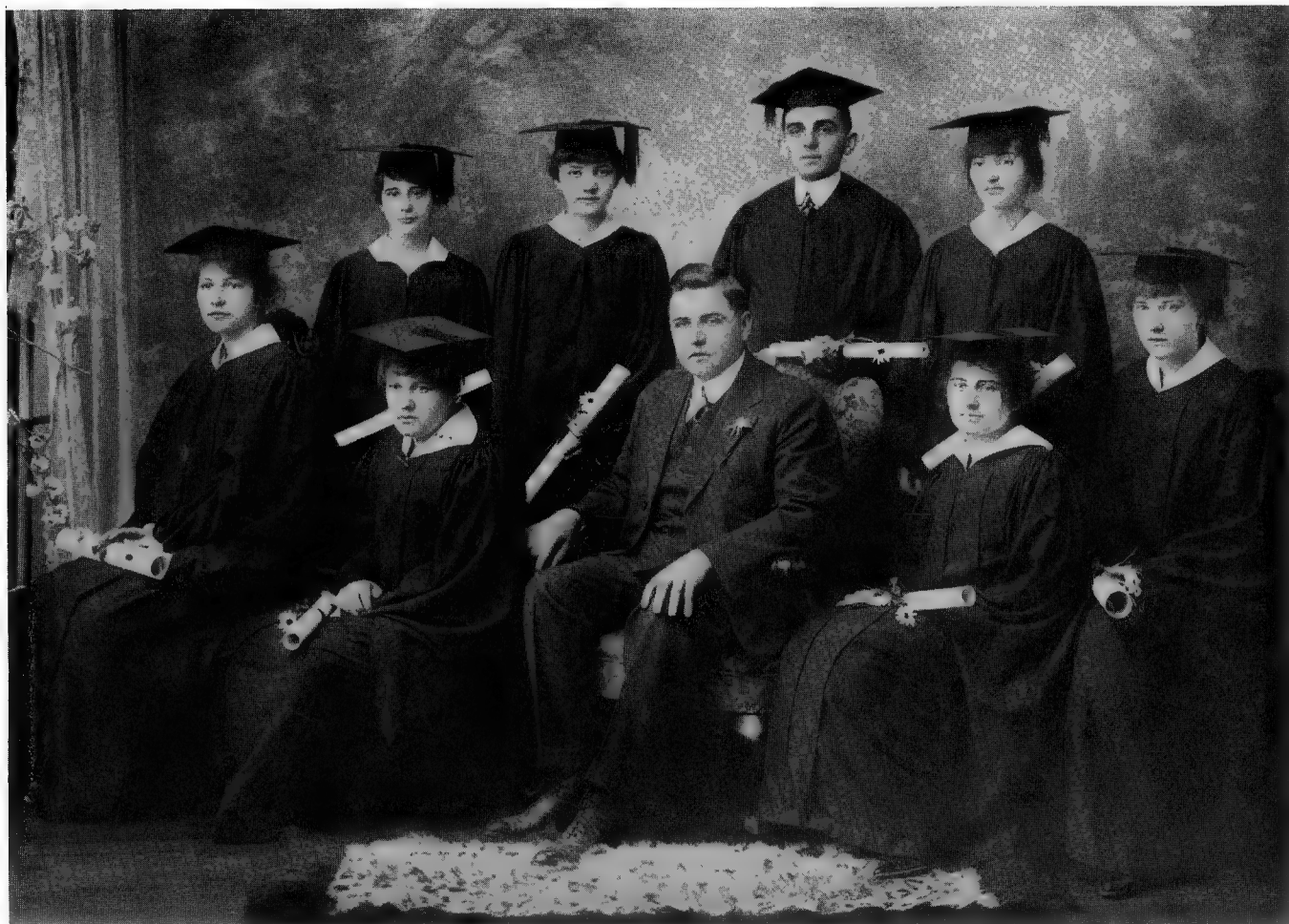
1915

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Elva Walter, William Hagy, Wayne Palmer, Annie Line, William Kurtz

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Paul Weinhold, Hobson Garrett



1916

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Amy Oberlin, Caroline Eshleman, Wayne Palmer, Kathryn Bard, Rebecca Lutz

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Naomi Renninger, Lucy Fralich, Earl Stober, Elizabeth Firestone



1917

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Warren Lutz, Ruth Emsing, Wayne Palmer, Helen Beam, Warren Althouse,  
Myrtle Reddig

Second Row Seated

Left to Right: Mabel Kurtz, Horace Mellinger, Warren Druckenbrod

Third Row Standing

Left to Right: Alma Kline, Bessie Roppold, Alma Kurtz



1918

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Helen Mentzer, Pearl Miller, Wayne Palmer, Eugene Brubaker, Virgie Foltz,  
Mary Mellinger

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Maude Bearinger, Paul Rutt, Mabel Roppold, Charles Firestone, Lulu Gelsinger





1919

First Row Seated

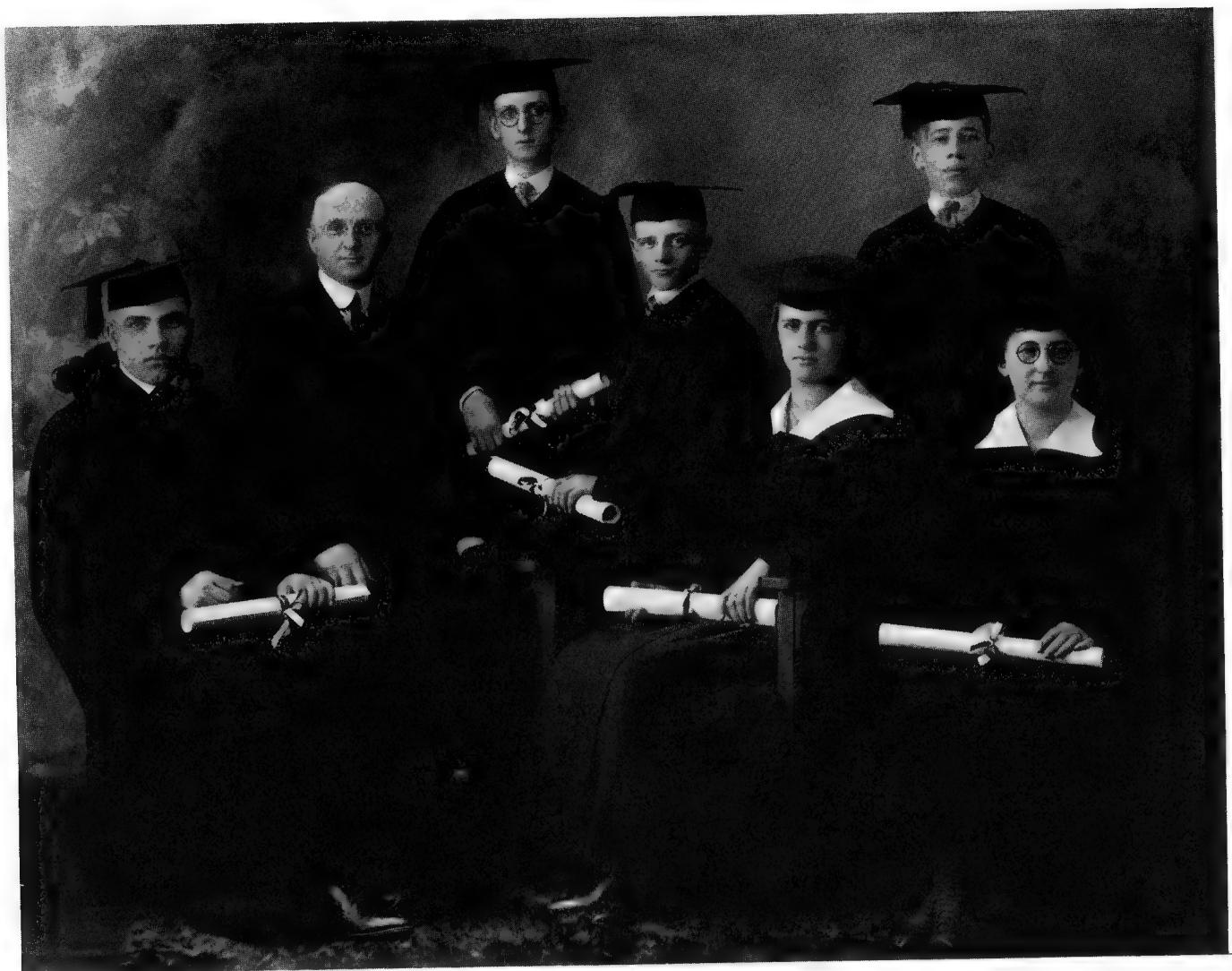
Left to Right: Erla Engle, Minerva Lebo, Isaac Kreider, Mary Noll, Ruth Grimes

Second Row Seated

Left to Right: Ruth Garman, Irwin Grimes, Percy Bard, Susan Bard

Third Row Standing

Left to Right: Harold Brunner, Paul Wolfskill, Russell Wehr, Martin Eshleman, Ernest Engle



1920

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Harry Meisky, Isaac Kreider, Claud Walter, Ruth Keller, Irene Sweigart

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Harold Mentzer, John Bowman



1921

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Paul Stober, Missouri Lausch, Crela Brendle, Paul Grimes

Second Row Seated

Left to Right: Stanley Rutt, Isaac Kreider, Miranda Bitzer, Kathryn Bard, Harry Druckenbrod

Third Row Standing

Left to Right: Edna Mellinger, William Firestone, Fred Binger, Martin Nissley



1922

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Alverta Busser, Kathryn Bard, Pauline Renninger, Mae Wehr, Bertha Kessler

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Luther Gift, John Krick, Luther Sweigart



1923

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Alverta Althouse, Floretta Gutekunst, Mabel Mellinger, Mary Grimes,  
Rosa Stick

Second Row Seated

Left to Right: Mary Fry, Gilbert Bard, Chester Sweigart, Shirley Brendle

Third Row Standing

Left to Right: Carl Kramer, Christian Wenger, Ralph Lutz

Teachers: John Krick, John Bowman





1924

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Floretta Busser, Mamie Bowman, Elva Mellinger, Catherine Mowrey,  
Naomi Grimes

Second Row Seated

Left to Right: Thelma Musser, Myra Shimp, Laura Garrett, Anna Brubaker

Third Row Seated

Left to Right: Raymond Garman, Leroy Weinhold, Guy Sweigart

1925

No Graduation Exercises  
Changed to Four Year Course



1926

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Nora Habecker, Mae Stohler

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Charlotte Westerhoff, Elam Wiest, Luetta Nagle, Luther Lausch, Helen Dissler

Third Row Standing

Left to Right: Gladys Garman, Luther Karper, Elsie Grimes

Teachers: John Krick, Kathryn Bard



1927

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Elva Grimes, Augustina Lebo, Helen Snyder, Minerva Sweigart  
Maude Wolfskill

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Harry Royer, Rachel Eshleman, Florence Meckley, William Heinsey

Teachers: Kathryn Bard, John Krick



1928

First Row Standing

Left to Right: Floreta Becker, Irene Gensemer, Dorothy Becker

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Roy Fassnacht, Floyd Witwer, Warren Kegerise, Edgar Lutz, Clarence Sweigart,  
Kathryn Bard, John Krick



1929

First Row Standing

Left to Right: Mary Knerr, Pauline Walter, Ruth Royer, Elva Becker, Coreta Nagle

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: Loran Wenrich, John Krick, Lawrence Stewart



1930

Bottom Row

Left to Right: Ruth Mohler, Bernetha Grimes

Second Row

Left to Right: Paul Leed, Sadie Becker, Bernice Stuber, Elizabeth Hagy

Third Row

Left to Right: Melvin Binkley, George Usner, John Krick, Harry Shimp, Harry Kurtz





1931

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Hermina Westerhofs, Sabina Bard, Saloma Ochs

Second Row Standing

Left to Right: John Sweigart, Milton Grimes, Harry Gensemer, Paul Afflerbach, Paul Witwer,  
Clarence Garrett, Atlee Crouse, Earl Sweigart

Teachers: Harold Fries and John Krick



1932

**First Row Seated**

Left to Right: Pauline Sweigart, Merla Shirk, Naomi Wealand

**Second Row Standing**

Left to Right: Harold Fries, Adolphus Brunner, John Krick, Russell Derr, Luetta Nagle



1933

First Row Seated

Left to Right: Violet Bearinger, Mamie S. Bensing, Sara S. Sweigart, Edith E. Pennabecker

Second Row

Left to Right: John Stuber, Amanda Gockley, Elva K. Snyder, Kathryn A. Knerr,  
Donald M. Royer

Third Row

Left to Right: Miles Gress, Russell E. Leed

Teachers: H. W. Fries, John Krick, Luetta Nagle



1934

John P. Krick, Harold Fries,

Harry Gring, Jacob Brubaker, Richard Grimes, Jacob Shirk, Paul Grube

Luetta Nagle, Paul Weik, Galen Gelsinger, Rhoda Lutz, Violet Treisch, Grace Becker  
Edgar Sweigart, Coreta Nagle

Bottom Row: Kathryn Rutt, Floy Royer, Kathleen Gensencer, M. Elizabeth Marburger,  
Ona Mohler, Grace Weidman, Evelyn Shupp, Rhe Mohler



1935

Harold Fries, William Markel, Rhoads Westerhoff, Rutger Henly, Stanton Wolf, John Krick

Coreta Nagle, Donald Ensing, Betty Stoltz, Elsie Weber, Carl Becker, Luetta Nagle

Bottom Row: Mary Gockley, Edith Bingeman, Winifred Buffamoyer, Ruth Burd, Esther Myer,  
Grace Binkley



1936

First Row

Kathryn Binkley, Kathryn Root, Hazel Gensemer, Pauline Nissley, Gertrude Burd, Mabel Fetter, Bessie Knerr

Second Row

Edward Noll, Paul Kilhefner, Louise Flicker, Floy Myer, Leon Demming

Third Row

Coreta Nagle, Frank Flemish, Chester Weist, Luetta Nagle

Fourth Row

Harold Fries, William Showalter, Rudolph Sweigart, John Krick





1937

Top Row

Left to Right: Ernest Meckley, Clarence Wolfskill, Jacob Rupp, Mark Brubaker, Leroy Meckley, Ernest King, Clifford Althouse

Middle Row

Left to Right: Mildred Trout, Helen Shimp, Rose Sponhower, Fern Bensing, Ellen Weber

Bottom Row

Left to Right: Ester Ochs, Amanda Long, Grace Fashacht, Elnora Busser, Helen Gensemer, Amy Gerhart

Teachers: Coreta Nagel, Luetta Nagel, Harold Fries, J. P. Krick



1938

Front Row

Laura Gelsinger, Dorothy Gensemer, Barbara Gehman, Lucille Binkley, Ethel Sharp

Second Row

Cleon Hertzog, Harry Althouse, June McDowell, Stanley Gress, Willis Heisey

Third Row

Leah Musser, Anna Eberly, Luther Knerr, Mr. Harold Fries, Joseph Windish, John Krick  
Arlene Nicholas



1939

First Row

Mary Shirk, Margaret Gehman, Marie Mohler, Mary Myer, Marie Wealand

Second Row

James Bender, David Walters, Richard Firestone, Warren Swartz, Earl Weber, Warren Harding

Third Row - Teachers

Miss Arlene Nicholas, Miss Leah Musser, Miss Anna Eberly, Mr. Harold Fries, Mr. John Krick



1940

First Row

Elmer Gerhart, Richard Heisey, Paul Firestone, Clair Brooks

Second Row

Marie Brendle, Ruth Becker, Josephine Brubaker, Adeline Lutz, Marion Collingwood,  
Elizabeth Mohler, Marion Binkley

Teachers: Miss Nicholas, Anna Eberly, Miss Musser, Mr. Krick, Mr. Fries



1941

First Row

Roma Garman, Pauline Eberly, June Kissinger, Alvesta Busser, Mamie Gehman, Edith Sweigart, Vivian Lewis

Second Row

Robert Gehman, Ira Martzall, Robert Bergman, Arlene Harding, Kathryn Brubaker, David Mowrey, John Gunselman, Eugene Henly

Third Row

Ray Gensemer, Stuart Schnader, Glenn Trostle, Richard Gensemer

Fourth Row

Milford Schannauer

Mary Jane Ludwig (In absentia)

Teachers: Mr. Fries, Anna Eberly, Mr. Krick, Miss Marion Bitting, Miss Lillian Leisey



1942

First Row

Anna Hershey, Mildred Loose, Myra Jane Bard, Kathryn Netzley

Second Row

Richard Steffy, Glenn Mohler, Betty Epler, Joanne Bender, Eugene Weber

Teachers: Mr. Fries, Miss Anna Eberly, Miss Lillian Leisey, Mr. Krick, Miss Marion Bitting





1943

First Row

Irene Meckley, Anna Mae Gottshall, Mary Alice Sweigart, Jean Marie Brunner, Ruth Kern, Floretta Weaver, Mary Stricker

Second Row

Anna Mae Myer, Marion Mohler, Sara Shupp, Marjorie Althouse, Rachael Stricker, Edythe Long

Third Row

Kenneth Hall, Rufus Martzall, Robert Oberholtzer, Vincent Brubaker

Fourth Row

Luke Royer, Vernon Leiningner, Luther Shimp, Samuel Binkley

Fifth Row

John Krick, Harold Fries, Lillian Leisey, Anna Eberly, Marion Bitting



1944

Bottom Row

Left to Right: Larue Lorah, Betty Cusano, Lillian Troutman, Henrietta Morrison, Florence Flemish, Barbara Bender

Second Row

Left to Right: Henry Petery, Joline Hackman, Muriel Steffy, Luetta Gensemer, Ruth Hess, Robert Martzall

Third Row

Left to Right: Kenneth Sharp, Alvin Demming, Charles Hainley, John Bitler, Samuel Swartz

Daniel Gehman (In service)

Fourth Row - Teachers

Left to Right: Harold Fries, John Krick, Miss Grube, Catherine Austermehle, Marion Bitting



1945

First Row

Alice Stuber, Ruth Smith, Betty Hornberger, Anna Ruth Heisey, Anna Rose Diffenbaugh

Second Row

Leroy Shimp, Shirley Schnader, Milton Steffy, Jr., Ann Knerr, Leroy Fisher

Third Row

Henry Messner, Homer Weaver, Roger Hackman, Kenneth Lied, Paul Neidhardt

Fourth Row

John Krick, Ralph Lutz, Harold Fries, Coreta Nagle, Catherine Austermehle, Marion Bitting



1946

First Row

Hazel Weaver, Verna Hainley, Nancy Reider, Helen Kauffman, Evelyn Weaver

Second Row

Ivan Royer, Leon Fasnacht, Betty Hertzog, John Wenger, Florence Brunner, Richard Martzal, Earl Pennabecker

Third Row

Harold Fries, Marion Bitting, Helen McCleaf, Coreta Nagle

Fourth Row

Ralph Lutz, John Krick, Clarence McHose



1947

First Row

Pauline Artz, Marie Fetter, June Loose, Elsie Windish, Gloria Cusano, Evelyn Swartz,  
Audrey Troutman

Second Row

Gladys Beard, Rose Marie Bensing, Gladys Ochs, Dorothy Flemish, Hazel Hackman,  
Fern Miller

Third Row

Dawn Witwer, Helen Leed, Thelma Petery, Ethel Collingwood, Jean Ruth

Fourth Row

Daniel Fichthorn, Roger Henly, Gwendolyn Good, Robert Fasnacht, Donald Coldren

Fifth Row

Charles Steffy, Richard Druckenbrod, Gerald Tobias, Edwin Reed, Ralph Hain,  
Harlan Fasnacht, James Getz

Sixth Row

John Krick, Clarence McHose, Marion Bitting

Seventh Row

Ralph Lutz, Paul Bucks, Elizabeth Cherrington, Helen McCleaf, William Kreidler



1948

First Row

Janet Sweigart, Lucille Hertzog, Mary Lou Hemling, Dolores Hicks, Lucy Weidman

Second Row

Erica Neidhardt, Florence Flemish, Betty Haldeman, Rosie Windish

Third Row

Clarence McHose, Elizabeth Cherrington, Park Hirneisen, Kenneth Stewart, Harry Lorah

Fourth Row

Paul Bucks, Ralph Lutz, John Krick, Marion Bitting, Helen McCleaf





1949

First Row

Evelyn Gehman, Ruth Moyer, Dorothy Petery, Margaret Gunselman, Ada Sebastine,  
Sylvia Getz, Joanne Ruoss

Second Row

Maureen Sweigart, Margaret Windish, Joan Eberly, Barbara Mellinger, Maryanne Burkholder,  
Ella Mae Hagy

Third Row

Charles Moyer, Harry Weitzel, Warren Lorah, Randall Kegerise, George Hainley,  
William Ochs

Fourth Row

Charles Weitzel

Teachers: Verna Imber, Elizabeth Cherrington, Miss Nancy Snyder, Helen McCleaf,  
Miss Piersol, Mr. Krick, Mr. Lutz, Paul Bucks



1950

Bottom Row

Left to Right: Ruth King, Patricia Wenrich, Ursula Eberly, Joan Reider, Loretta Barry, Edith Ochs

Second Row

Left to Right: Marian Loose, Lois Cusano, Mary Jane Deibler, Jane Druckenbrod, Erla Leininger

Third Row

Left to Right: Jack Bomberger, William Rupp, Alton Crouse, Kenneth Saylor

Fourth Row

Left to Right: Miss McCleaf, Miss Frey, Miss Knoll, Mrs. Imber

Fifth Row

Left to Right: Ralph Lutz, Mr. Denlinger, J. P. Krick, Robert Reber



1951

Bottom Row

Left to Right: Fay Althouse, Myra Walters, Ethel Stuber, Dorothy Windish, Mary Gunselman, Kathryn Martzall, Ursula Neidhart, Faye Sweigart

Second Row

Left to Right: Wilbur Herneisen, Shirley Rutt, Mildred Ramsey, Ruth Alice Hagy, Carol Hornberger, John Dinger

Third Row

Left to Right: Robert Crouse, Robert Bachman, Kenneth Moyer, Glenn Shober, Fred Fichthorn

Fourth Row

Left to Right: Miss Knoll, Miss Frey, Miss McCleaf, Mrs. Imber

Fifth Row

Left to Right: Robert Reber, J. P. Krick, Ralph Lutz, Paul Bucks



1952

Bottom Row

Left to Right: Mary Wolf, Kathryn Stuber, Sylvia Leed, Marian Loose, Betty Shober, Alice Ann Kinch, Melrose Moyer, Joyce Hirneisen, Edith Petery

Second Row

Left to Right: Shirley Hornberger, Mardell Kilhefner, James Beard, Charles Nissley, Galen Eberly, Gary Grimes, Anna Brubaker, Marian Gockley

Third Row

Left to Right: Barry Miller, Harold Weinhold, Paul Fetter, Dale Kemper, Paul Netzley

Fourth Row

Left to Right: Edgar Weber, Donald Hain, Lyn Schlegel, Harry Roseboro

Teachers: Ralph Lutz, Miss Piersol, Miss Frey, Mrs. Hulshizer  
William Gates, J. P. Krick, Robert Reber, Paul Bucks



1953

Bottom Row

Left to Right: Loraine Heffley, Ruth Yost, Judith Rathman, Peggy Shober, Dorothy Eberly, Nancy Hagy, Sandra Getz, Shirley Fisher, Sylvia Gensemer, Peggy Showalter, Betty Showers, Kay Kline

Second Row

Left to Right: Joanne Lutz, Willard Pennabecker, Charles Stamm, James Stayer, Richard Sweigart, Ralph Fasnacht, Donald Kegerise, Roland Gehman, Richard Stewart, Erlene Herneisen

Third Row

Left to Right: Parke Haws, Theodore Hassler, Gerald Fisher, Clifford Shupp, Marion Ernst, Richard Strickler, Lee Shober, Larry Shimp, Leon Wolf

Fourth Row

Left to Right: Mr. Gates, Mr. Lutz, Miss Frey, Miss Piersol, Miss Daly, Mrs. Hulshizer

Fifth Row

Left to Right: J. P. Krick, Ernest Stewart, Robert Reber, Paul Bucks





1954

Bottom Row

Left to Right: Mildred Wolf, Mary Strong, Pearl Boyer, Marion Meckley, Dolores Wealand, Eleanore Buchter, Irene Kauffman, Jean Zerbe, Mary Stuber, Marion Brubaker, Louise Stafford, Lenora Shenk

Second Row

Left to Right: Lillie Ross, Pauline Pennabecker, Dale Kilhefner, Fred Bowman, Walter Augsburg, Minetta Martzall, Richard Gensemer, Richard Gerhart, Edwin Harting, Anna Mae Yost, Dolores Rupp

Third Row

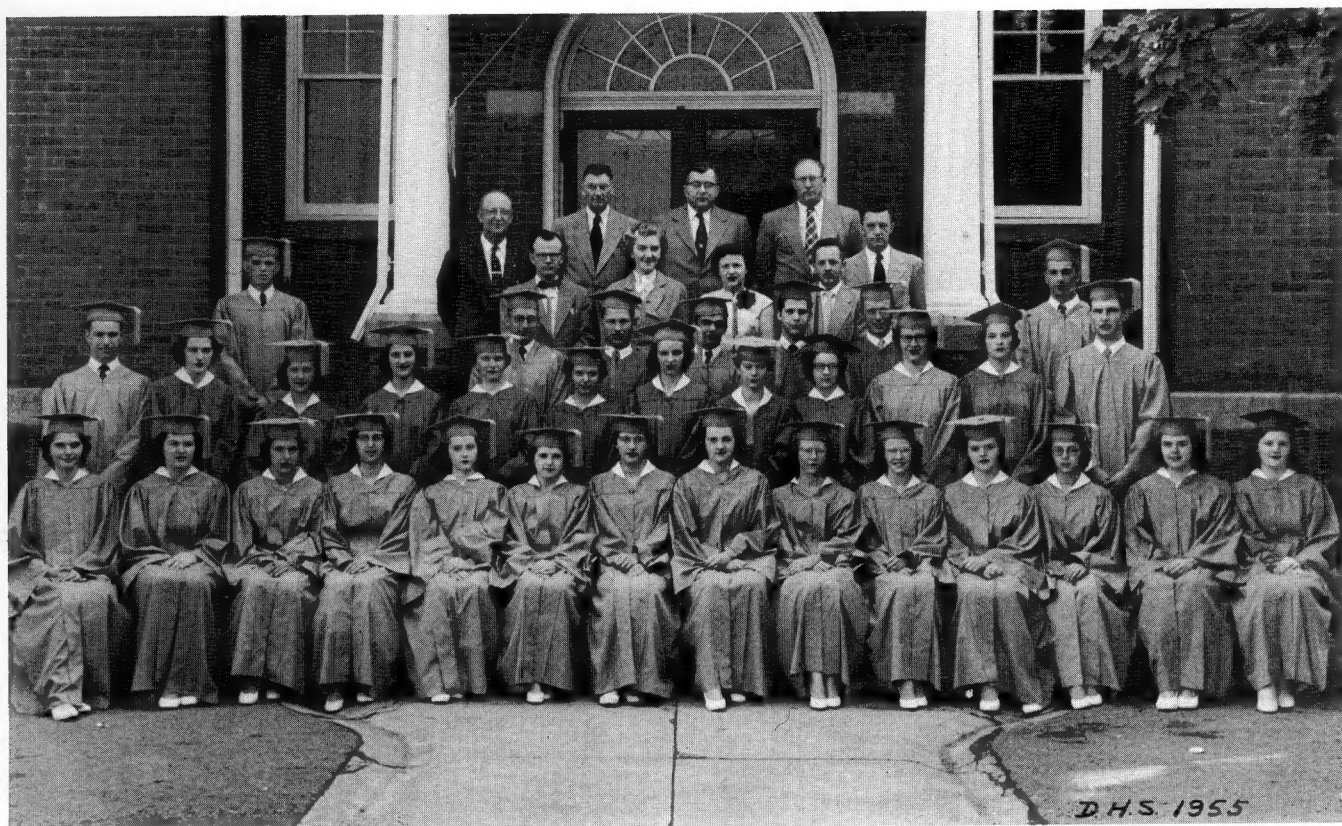
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Fourth Row

Left to Right: Mr. Gates, Miss Daly, Miss Piersol, Miss Frey, Mrs. Hulshizer, Mr. Lutz

Fifth Row

Left to Right: J. P. Krick, Mr. Reber, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Bucks



1955

First Row

Geraldine Gehman, Barbara Sharp, Sylvia Burkholder, Verna Yost, Shirley Petery, Edith Pannebecker, Nedra Lied, Nadine Henly, Ardel Showalter, Mardel Showalter, Anne Enck, Joyce Meckley, Alice Kauffman, Faye Rupp

Second Row

Robert Lutz, Audrey Sensenig, Florence Wenger, Fay Hirneisen, Carol Getz, Eleanor Ochs, Arlene Binkley, Dawn Brendle, Doris Gehman, Charlotte Stricker, Suzanne Wenger, Daniel Brensinger

Third Row

Ronald Kinch, John Krick, Robert Beard, Robert Hainley, Donald Fisher, Allen Garner, Clarence Long

Fourth Row

Mr. Richard Beam, Mrs. Lucille Edwards, Miss Jane Dally, Mr. William Gates

Fifth Row

Mr. Ernest Stewart, Mr. John Krick, Mr. Paul Bucks, Mr. Robert Reber, Mr. Ralph Lutz